

**From:** [Hayter, Earl J ERDC-RDE-EL-MS](#)  
**To:** [Miller, Garyg](#)  
**Subject:** RE: San Jacinto Feasibility Study  
**Date:** Saturday, June 07, 2014 9:57:20 AM

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Gary,

Don't hesitate to let me know if any other issue or question on the modeling that AnchorQEA did comes up.

Earl

> -----Original Message-----

> From: Miller, Garyg [<mailto:Miller.Garyg@epa.gov>]

> Sent: Friday, June 06, 2014 8:47 AM

> To: Hayter, Earl J ERDC-RDE-EL-MS

> Subject: RE: San Jacinto Feasibility Study

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> Thanks Earl; this answers my question about how the 2005 Sediment

> Remediation Guidance statements about model limitations relates to the

> San Jacinto Site.

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> Regards,

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> Gary Miller

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Hayter, Earl J ERDC-RDE-EL-MS [<mailto:Earl.J.Hayter@erdcdren.mil>]

> Sent: Thursday, June 05, 2014 5:34 PM

> To: Miller, Garyg

> Subject: RE: San Jacinto Feasibility Study

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> Gary,

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> Anchor QEA runs their sediment transport model decoupled from their

> hydrodynamic model, or in what is called the non-morphologic mode. What

> this means is that predicted changes in bed elevations (and therefore

> water depths) in grid cells due to erosion or deposition are not

> accounted for in the hydrodynamic model. As a result, the flow field is

> not adjusted to account for changes in bed elevations and therefore water

> depths.

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> Sediment transport models that are currently used today for simulating

> the transport of sediment in rivers, estuaries and coastal seas are not

> able to 1) predict changes in channel widths, due to, e.g., bank erosion

> on the outer bend of a meandering river, or 2) predict changes in

> planform geometry due to meandering of a river/stream channel.

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> Existing sediment transport models are frequently used to simulate 'big

> events' such as a 100-year flood. However, to do this would usually

> require more parameterization, an example of which is specifying a

> thicker initial sediment bed in areas that undergo net erosion during

> higher frequency events, e.g., 10-year flood. It would also require the



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> sediment transport model to be run in the morphologic mode, i.e., with  
> the hydrodynamic and sediment transport models run in the dynamically  
> linked or coupled mode. If the model predicted an area of significant  
> scour, then the flow field in this portion of the model grid should be  
> examined during the portion of the event when most of the scour occurred  
> (e.g., during the rising limb of a flood event) to see if the simulated  
> flows exhibit any signs of numerical instability that sometimes occur due  
> to the use of too large a time-step and/or too coarse a grid.  
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> Let me know if this is what you need.  
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> Earl  
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>> -----Original Message-----  
>> From: Miller, Garyg [<mailto:Miller.Garyg@epa.gov>]  
>> Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 12:37 PM  
>> To: Schroeder, Paul R ERDC-RDE-EL-MS; Hayter, Earl J ERDC-CHL-MS  
>> Subject: [EXTERNAL] FW: San Jacinto Feasibility Study  
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>> Next part of Feasibility Study - this is the first part of appendices.  
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>> Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 10:21 AM  
>> To: Paul R Schroeder (Paul.R.Schroeder@erdc.dren mil); Hayter, Earl J  
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>> Subject: FW: San Jacinto Feasibility Study  
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>> From: Miller, Garyg  
>> Sent: Tuesday, November 12, 2013 3:20 PM

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>> Subject: San Jacinto Feasibility Study  
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>> Here is the Feasibility Study for the San Jacinto Site - this is the  
>> first of 4 parts (too big to email together.  
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>> Paul - please review/comment on the adequacy of the proposed cap  
>> repairs/upgrades - and anything else you see. Does the plan seem  
>> adequate in light of your review of the TCRA cap? Slope? Materials  
>> grading? Areas proposed for additional work?  
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>> Earl - please review/comment on the potential impacts of the various  
>> alternatives on the river flow/navigation capacity - see anything that  
>> wouldn't be acceptable or could cause flooding?; and anything you see  
>> that should be further clarified or discussed; also please  
>> review/comment on the relative impacts of re-suspending contaminated  
>> sediment due to dredging, mitigation measures, etc. Do the  
>> concentrations included in the Feasibility Study bar graphs seem  
>> reasonable? Perhaps what has been the experience at other dredging  
>> sites? During the TCRA construction they used silt curtains, but the  
> current kept moving them around.  
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>> Thanks, and please let me know if you have any questions. FYI, I have  
>> left a message regarding the WAF with Kathleen Robinson here who I  
>> believe dealt with Marvene Seaman at your end.  
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>> Regards,  
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